(b) if so, whether the Police have made any investigations about this incident; and

(c) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) The dead body of Srimathi Kalliani was found floating in a tank about a mile from her house but there was no evidence to show that the death occurred under suspicious circumstances.

(b) & (c) The inquest held by Police and the post-mortem examination showed that the death was due to asphyxia due to drowning and that no foul play was indicated.

Opening of a High School in Nattika village

* 120-H Q.—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Director of Public Instruction has refused to sanction the opening of a High school in Nattika village of Ponnani taluk, Malabar; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) Permission to start a Middle School with Forms I to III has been granted by the Director of Public Instruction, though permission to open a High school with Forms I to IV has been refused by him.

(b) The Director of Public Instruction is not convinced of the need for a High school with Form IV at the village.

* 120-I Q.—

MR. SPEAKER: This question will be taken up to-morrow at the request of the hon. Member.

Hindi Pandits

* 120-J Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government propose to modify the rule that Hindi Pandits should have seventeen hours' work in High School classes in order that they may be eligible for grant in the case of Class I Pandits?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: The matter is under consideration of the Government.

Benefit performance for a school building in Salem

*1 (SHORT NOTICE) Q.—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any benefit performance was conducted by the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Salem, for the construction of a school building in the Armed Reserve Lines, Salem;

(b) whether tickets were sold by the police officials throughout the district;